

## General Assembly

## Substitute Bill No. 153

February Session, 2010

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## AN ACT PROVIDING A SAFE HARBOR FOR EXPLOITED CHILDREN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 53a-82 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
- 3 (a) A person <u>sixteen years of age and older</u> is guilty of prostitution
  - when such person engages or agrees or offers to engage in sexual
- 5 conduct with another person in return for a fee.
- 6 (b) In any prosecution for an offense under this section, it shall be an
- 7 affirmative defense that the actor was coerced into committing such
- 8 offense by another person in violation of section 53a-192a.
- 9 (c) In any prosecution of a person sixteen or seventeen years of age
- 10 for an offense under this section, there shall be a presumption that the
- 11 actor was coerced into committing such offense by another person in
- 12 violation of section 53a-192a.
- [(c)] (d) Prostitution is a class A misdemeanor.
- 14 Sec. 2. Section 53a-86 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
- 16 (a) A person is guilty of promoting prostitution in the first degree
- 17 when he knowingly: (1) Advances prostitution by compelling a person

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- by force or intimidation to engage in prostitution, or profits from coercive conduct by another; or (2) advances or profits from prostitution of a person less than [sixteen] eighteen years old.
- 21 (b) Promoting prostitution in the first degree is a class B felony. Any 22 person found guilty under subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this 23 section shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of which nine 24 months of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or reduced by 25 the court.
- Sec. 3. Section 53a-87 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
- (a) A person is guilty of promoting prostitution in the second degree when he knowingly [: (1) Advances] <u>advances</u> or profits from prostitution by managing, supervising, controlling or owning, either alone or in association with others, a house of prostitution or a prostitution business or enterprise involving prostitution activity by two or more prostitutes. [; or (2) advances or profits from prostitution of a person less than eighteen years old.]
  - (b) Promoting prostitution in the second degree is a class C felony.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2010	53a-82
Sec. 2	October 1, 2010	53a-86
Sec. 3	October 1, 2010	53a-87

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